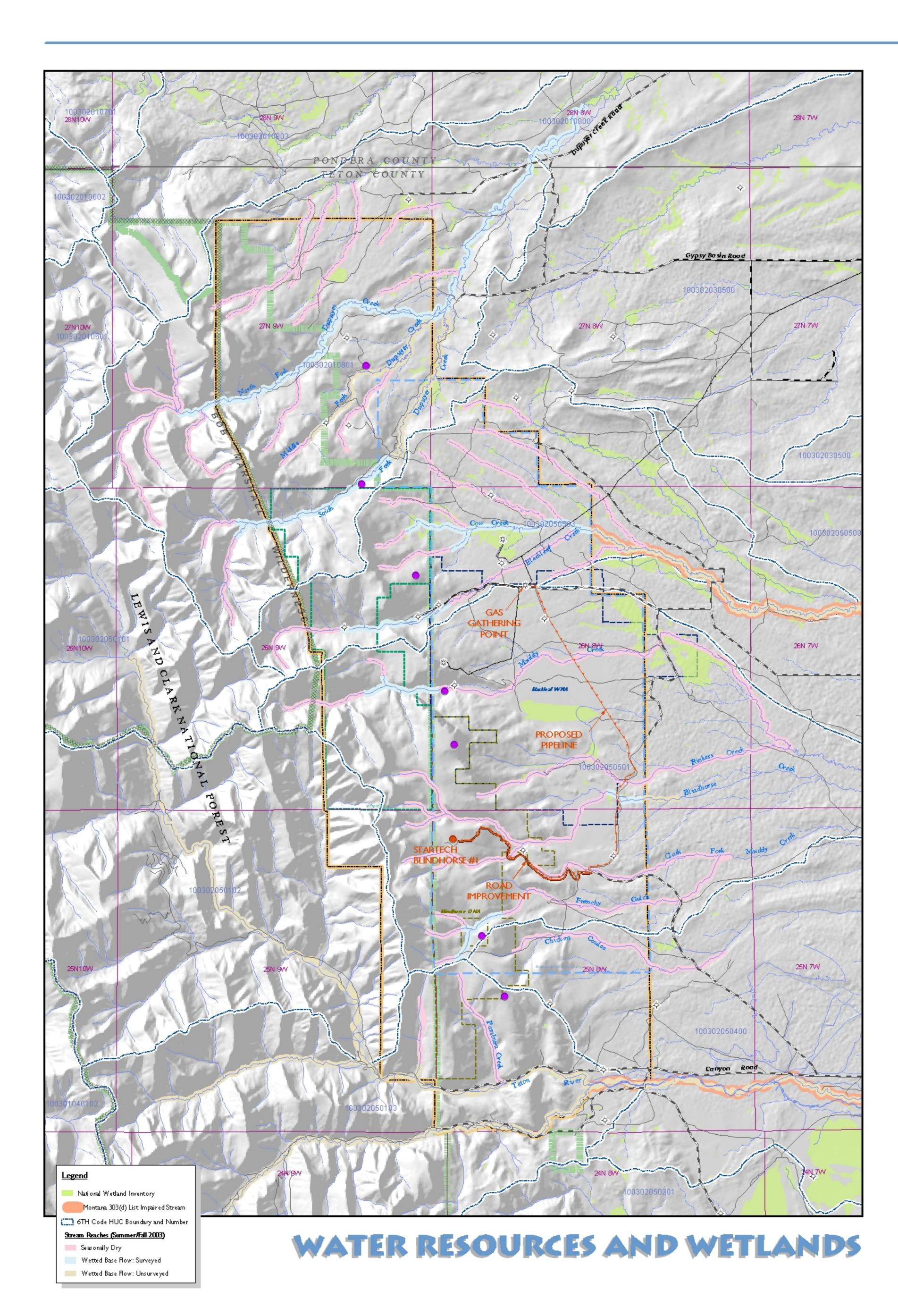
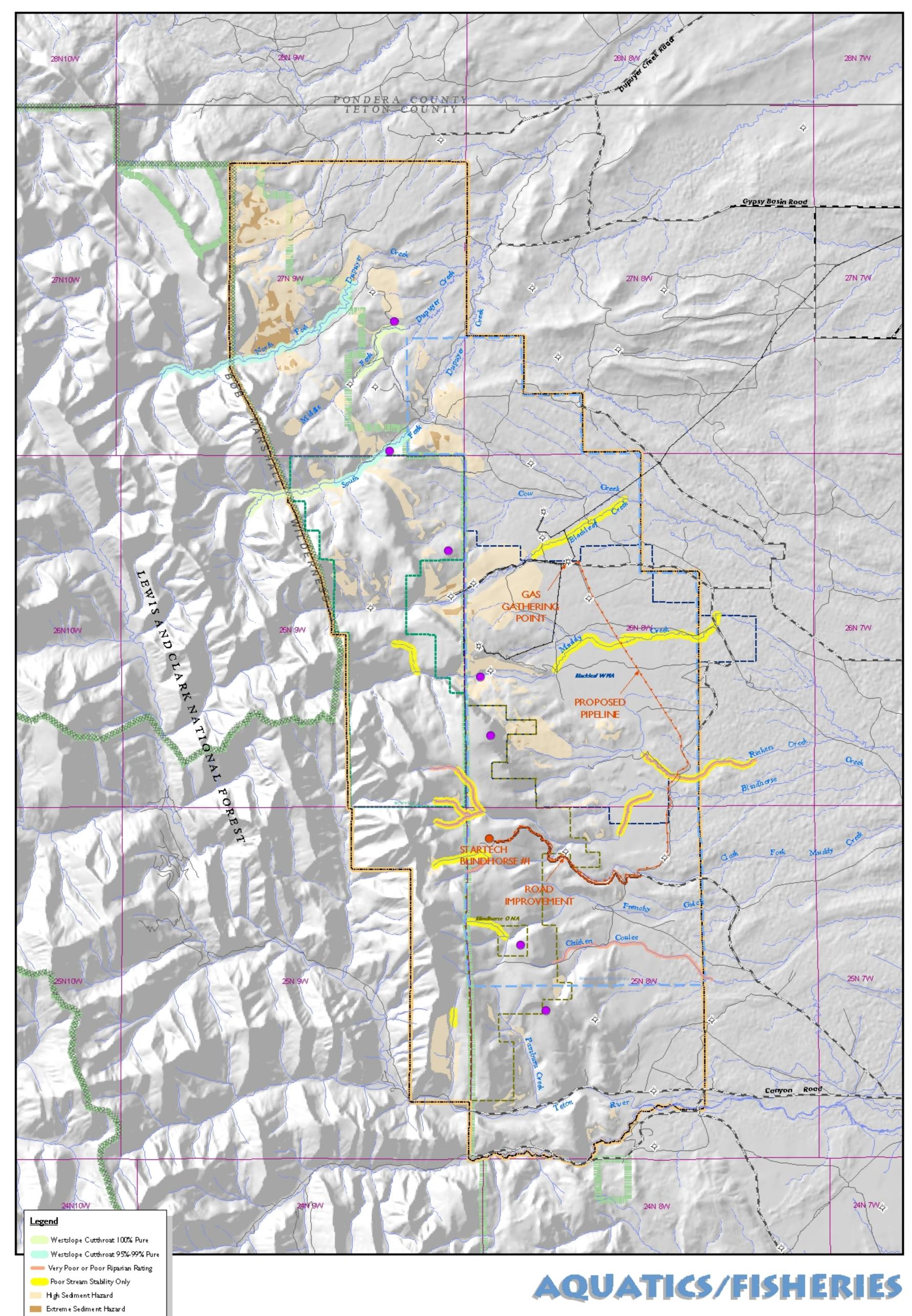
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WATER RESOURCES

PRELIMINARY ISSUES FOR WATER:

Potential effects of the Proposed Action on streams; water quality impaired stream reaches; and groundwater quality and quantity.

SOURCES OF BASELINE INFORMATION FOR WATER:

- Watershed Consulting report (Inventory and Assessment of Amphibians, Fish and Watershed Features of the Blackleaf Study Area, January 2004)
- Final Blackleaf EIS (1992); Montana Natural Resources Information System for GIS layers of watershed boundaries, impaired water bodies, and well locations
- USGS Data for surface water flow and quality
- Montana DEQ for impaired water bodies; Montana Ground Water Information Center for well locations
- National Wetland Inventory

AQUATICS/FISHERIES

PRELIMINARY ISSUES FOR AQUATICS/FISHERIES:

Potential effects of land disturbance, erosion, and contaminants resulting from the Proposed Action on aquatic habitat, amphibians, fisheries, riparian areas, stream channel stability, and sedimentation.

SOURCES OF BASELINE INFORMATION FOR AQUATICS/FISHERIES:

- Watershed Consulting report (Inventory and Assessment of Amphibians, Fish and Watershed Features of the Blackleaf Study Area, January 2004)
- Final Blackleaf EIS (1992); USFS and Montana FWP Surveys
- Montana Fisheries Information System (MFISH)



Data Source

Base Data: Compilation of GIS layers obtained from Lewis and Clark National Forest, BLM, and State of Montana.

Fisheries/Aquatics/Water Resources: From Baseline Inventory and Assessment of Amphibians, Fish and Watershed Features of the Blackleaf Study Area, Watershed Consulting, January 2004.

Montana Natural Resource Information GIS layers.

